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by the Governor. The council has certain limited powers. Most of the money that it gets has to be spent for education, at least 70 percent has to be spent for education or for improvement of propane utilization safety equipment technology. One of the things that the committee sought to do over time as this bill was negotiated was direct more of the money towards the safety side of the interests of the particular association. And then ultimately the council is funded by a levy of up to two-tenths of a cent per gallon of propane sold by the first seller in the state and that funds the activities of the council. The committee amendment becomes the bill. I think I've mentioned most of the important things to you. There is a limitation on administrative expenses, and that basically is the mechanism of the bill and the proposition that the people who sell propane would like to have you approve. Thank you.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Senator Beutler. I understand there are committee amendments. Would you like to open on those?

SENATOR BEUTLER: The committee amendments are the bill, Senator Will, and so I would waive further comment.

SENATOR WILL: Senator Beutler, has basically opened on the committee amendments so the question before the body is the adoption of the committee amendments and Senator Elmer is recognized on the committee amendments. Senator Elmer. Senator Elmer.

SENATOR ELMER: Thank you, Senator Will. Over the number, over the last five or six years I've had the opportunity to work with the propane people in various capacities on this particular idea or issue. The original things that were brought forward were less than unanimously accepted by the industry, and the first one that I have proposed had to be withdrawn because of consternation about some of the things within. As Senator Beutler has very well described, the industry has gotten together and through all of the independent dealerships, those that are aligned with larger companies in the cooperative structures have all joined in the effort to do this. And it does provide within the method to train individuals in the safety and use of propane, to govern themselves within the industry, to educate the public, and to provide themselves with